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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

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Sir:

This Preliminary Amendment is for a divisional application of U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 09/410,240, filed September 30, 1999. Please enter the following amendment prior to examination of this application.

IN THE TITLE

Please delete the title and insert therefor -- METHODS FOR SECURING A TUBE TO AN ENGINE HOUSING --.